



Challenge Program
Marking Period 1

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THE CHALLENGE

CCPS Challenge Website

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Challenge Program Philosophy

The Challenge program recognizes that each student is unique and has his/her own individual abilities, promise and potential. There is no single gifted student profile. It is the purpose of the Challenge Program to nurture the development of productive habits of mind that characterize creative problem-solvers and lifelong learners.

Challenge Program Overview

The Challenge Program provides services that support a student in the further development of identified area(s) of strength and/or talent. Classroom teachers provide most services in the classroom on a regular basis. Challenge Instructional Coaches at the elementary and middle school levels work as consultants and collaborators with classroom teachers to plan and implement lessons that challenge students through differentiation of the curricula. Particular attention is paid to extending the depth and complexity of the learning outcomes in developing and adapting units and lessons. Challenge Staff Members work as advocates for the academic and affective needs of gifted and talented students.

CCPS Philosophical Framework



This graphic organizer represents the framework for addressing curriculum updates / revisions, resource selection, and professional development as we work through the continuous improvement process. This framework is based on our overarching vision as an inclusive school system. As an inclusive school system, we must make certain that instruction, resources, and professional development are differentiated and address the competencies associated with high quality differentiated practices.

Parent Connection

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As with any child, school can be a challenge for gifted students too. If you feel that your child is having any difficulty socially or emotionally, please contact your School Counselor and Challenge Instructional Coach/Media Challenge Teacher. We are here to help and support you and your child.